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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:
Anthony B. Troutt

Serial No: 09/488,728

Filed: January 20, 2000

For: METHOD OF REGULATING NITRIC OXIDE PRODUCTION



Docket No.: 2623-B

Group Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: D. Jiang

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2001 (Paper No. 8) having a due date of October 31, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. This response is being filed with a request for a three-month extension of time and requisite fee. An Associate Power of Attorney also accompanies this response.

Claims 13 and 14 are pending in the application, with claim 13 being in independent form. Applicant wishes to amend the pending claims and add additional claims 15-18. Applicant kindly requests the Examiner amend the subject application as follows:


In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 4 beginning at line 17 with the following:

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The nucleotide and predicted amino acid sequence of the human IL-17R is shown in SEQ ID NOs:3 and 4. It shares many features with the murine IL-17 R. Computer analysis indicated that the protein has an N-terminal signal peptide with a cleavage site between amino acid 27 and 28. Those skilled in the art will recognize that the actual

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<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	6	20 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	3 =	0 x	\$84.00	\$0.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</p>					
 Signature		Dated: January 31, 2002			
James E. Klaniecki Registration No. 38,207 Immunex Corporation Law Department 51 University Street Seattle, WA 98101 Tel: (206) 587-0430		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.</p><p style="text-align: center;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</p><p style="text-align: center;">Nanci M. Kertson</p><p style="text-align: center;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</p></div>			
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